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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

- For President: WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, Of Nebraska. For Vice-President: JOHN W. KERN, Of Indiana. For Congress—First District: WILLIAM A. JONES, Of Richmond County.

Election Tuesday, November 3d.

FISH AGAIN.

Much of the talk about fish and their destruction is without knowledge, and indeed our insight of them and their habits is more scanty and imperfect than we are willing to confess. An article in the Norfolk Landmark states that the menhaden fishermen do take quantities of food fish, and propose that government inspectors be placed on the fishing vessels and at the factories to investigate the matter.

It is now thought that the famous article alleged to have been written by ex-President Cleveland, in which the opinion was expressed that Bryan was an undesirable candidate for the Presidency is a fake, and that he never wrote any such paper.

THE President has come out strongly for Hughes for Governor of the State of New York. That settles that question. A Virginia newspaper advocates the voting for Hughes by all Democrats of that State, and not have any Democratic candidate or ticket.

SUPPOSE that Sir William Ramsey, the English scientist, should really discover that silver can be turned into gold? But some of our financiers, Lawson for example, seem to know something of how to turn paper into the yellow metal.

SO FAR from catching the black vote, Mr. Taft couldn't even land a black bass hooked by him on his fishing trip.

SOME DEATHS.

Mr. Robert H. Smith, of Sharps, Richmond county, died of typhoid fever last week, after a brief illness. Mrs. Sue E. McKenney died suddenly at her home in Richmond county Saturday, September 5th, having suffered a stroke of paralysis that morning.

WHY STAND STILL? It is given as a claim for the extension of our dominions that "trade follows the flag." How true this is we have no means of determining, but there is no doubt that, given facilities for transportation, production is increased.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

So general is the practice of selling moonshine whiskey in some parts of Kentucky that many young girls sell it along the public road on their way to school in the remotest parts of Breathitt, Knott and other counties in that part of the State.

FISH AND OYSTER NOTES.

Next Tuesday will be the opening of oyster season throughout Virginia. August 5th is oyster day in England, as by act of Parliament the regular season opens then.

Fresh water mussels live from 10 to 12 years, the giant clam lives for 100 years and the oyster is fully mature in from 5 to 7 years.

One firm in the East planted in Narragansett bay this season no less than 1,200,000 bushels of oysters and over 900,000 bushels of shells.

It was supposed that the scarcity of fish in Cape Cod Bay was due to the practicing with large guns by the forts and ships, but this year there is no firing and fish are scarcer than usual.

The annual fee for a crabbing license in Canada is two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) and no crab shall be taken measuring less than six inches across the long diameter or greatest breadth of the shell.

THE French, who are the most scientific people probably of Europe, take great pains with oyster culture, going to lengths that we would think useless.

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CRISP NEWS.

Ten years ago a farm in Accomac containing 355 acres sold for \$4,000. It was resold a few days ago for \$12,000. Land seems worth something on the Eastern Shore.

POLITICAL.

The President will return to Washington September 22d, in order to be near the political cyclone centre. No one supposed that he would be able to keep his hands off.

The President has found a place for John Mitchell, the office of Commissioner of Immigration being vacated by the death of Frank P. Sargeant.

Republicans are sneering at Mr. Bryan because, as they allege, he has changed his mind on some subjects in the last ten years, but Mr. Roosevelt, who can change his twice a day, incurs no displeasure for his vacillations.

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Washington has a case of leprosy on its hands, and the government is planning to make the case a scientific study in order to ascertain if possible if the disease is really contagious.

With all the floods we have had on the Eastern slope of the mountains, West Virginia and Pennsylvania are suffering greatly from drought, and mills are shut down for lack of water.

The raging forest fires which have swept St. Louis, Carlton and Itasca counties, Wisconsin and Douglas county, Wisconsin, for some time have been checked, after destroying \$1,750,000 worth of property.

SOME MARRIAGES.

Harvey Gaskins and Miss Anne Jett, both of Northumberland county, were married at the Methodist parsonage at Burgess Store last week, Rev. J. L. Elderfield officiating.

NORTHUMBERLAND CO. LYNHAMS.

Capt. and Mrs. Jehu Todd and Misses Elsie and Bessie Parks are visiting relatives and friends here.

Eugie Hall has gone to South Carolina, where he is principal in one of the High Schools.

Mrs. John A. Cox has been very sick. Mrs. Hilbert and Mrs. Eva Johnson, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. George Schwebel.

Mrs. Fuller Hunton has been suffering with a rising on the back of her neck. Mrs. J. H. Dize and Mrs. Joseph Sheehy spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. W. W. Chitwood.

Miss Enna Sheehy spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. Wesley Rock. Messrs. Monroe Poudner and Harry Carter made a flying trip around here one day of last week.

Miss Clagggett, of Washington, is guest of her friend, Miss Ina Hall. GUESS WHO?

MISS MCKINLEY. Miss Laura Butler, of Washington, is on a lengthy visit here to her sister, Mrs. Addie Marsh.

Ryland Forrester, of Taft, visited his parental home here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin Forrester, of Regina, visited the gentleman's sister, Mrs. W. T. Marsh, last Sunday.

Miss Patsy Christopher was quite sick last week, but is out again now. Jeter Marsh, who has been employed in Washington for some time, arrived last week to spend a while at his parental home here.

Ferdinand Conley, of Wicomico, visited at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Susie Cockrell, Sunday last.

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MARYLAND TONGERS DEFEY LAW.

Oyster tongers of Maryland seem not to care greatly for law, and are not in dread of the sheriff. Some 200 vessels sailed into Sinepuxent Bay on September 8th, and making no effort to escape detection, they helped themselves to oysters of all sizes and ages, filling their boats with the young bivalves.

The offence of which these men are guilty is in taking oysters under two and a half inches, which is the Maryland law limit for oyster taking. As a matter of fact the tongers have been at work for days in those waters in small numbers, but on that date they came in whole fleets, helping themselves. This will be another case for a jury, and the prospects that a jury could be found among the people who are not friends of the tongers—one that would convict—is small indeed.

They seem to have raised a rumpus that may be hard to manage. The State authorities, realizing that it is impossible for the local police to deal with the 200 vessels that openly defied the sheriff, are at a loss just how to proceed.

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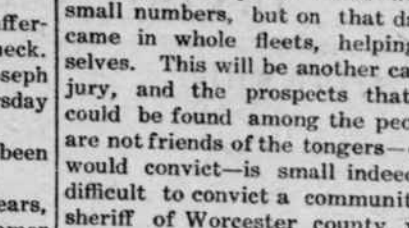
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BASE BALL.

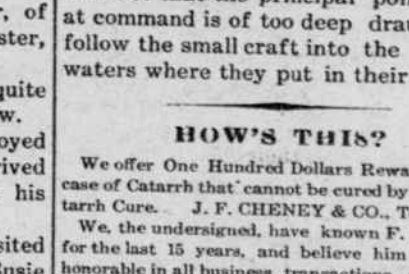
The game of ball between Tappahannock and Warsaw, at Warsaw August 29th, resulted in a victory for Tappahannock by a score of 3 to 2.

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